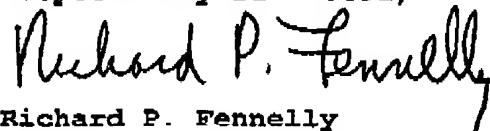


REMARKS

A one-month extension of time is requested herewith so that the period for filing the Appeal Brief expires on April 20, 2004.

Entry of this Amendment is requested since it serves to correct clear errors in the dependencies of Claims 12-15 as well as the manifest lettering errors for the process steps that are recited in Claims 11 and 16. None of these changes is deemed to fundamentally affect the issues to be argued on Appeal.

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